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- After 1 January 1953 the Reichsbahn Kesselwagenleitstelle assumed the control and allocation of all freight cars as well as tank cars; it has now officially changed its name to Zentrale Wagenlenkungsstelle der Deutschen Reichsbahn. The office is presently being reorganized structurally. Members of the former control section are taking over administration of various categories of cars. The head of the commercial section, Karl Kraul, has been named head of the operations section.
- There are also to be personnel cuts and changes in the Wagenbueiros of the Reichsbahn. The present employees are to be examined for political reliability. It is also said that there are to be major changes in the structure of the Generaldirektion of the Reichsbahn shortly. It is expected that the present general director, Erwin Kramer, will be relieved. The commercial director, Metz, recently has not been available in his office; the usual signature on correspondence is that of the deputy general director, Lehmann.

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